

## Call for AMS Annual Partnership Topic Nominations

The primary purpose of the **Board on Enterprise Planning** (BEP), a part of the AMS Commission on the Weather and Climate Enterprise (CWCE), is to review issues of a long-term strategic nature of importance to the weather, water, and climate community as a whole. BEP will select one issue, called the **Annual Partnership Topic** (APT), each year from nominations submitted by members of our community. Nominations are encouraged from all community sectors: academic, government, private, and end user. BEP will evaluate each APT nomination using the evaluation criteria contained in the APT Nomination Form below. Any community member may comment on any APT or APT nomination.

Three APTs were previously approved on: Hurricanes Disasters, Mesoscale Observations, and Mobile Observations. You may view previous calls, submissions, and comments in the APT Forum of the CWCE Message Board located at: <http://cwce.ametsoc.org/>.

New APT nominations may be submitted at any time. Please refer to the APT Nomination Form below and follow its instructions to submit an APT nomination. You may comment on an APT or an APT nomination in the online APT Forum (see above).

Thank you for your support and interest. If you have any questions, please contact the members of the BEP by sending e-mail to [amsbep@ametsoc.org](mailto:amsbep@ametsoc.org)

Regards,  
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### ----- Beginning of APT Nomination Form -----

Nominator's Name:

Nominator's Affiliation [organization]:

Nominator's Address:

Nominator's Telephone number(s):

APT Short Title:

APT Brief Description [6 lines or less]:

Please address the following questions in relation to the APT Selection Criteria [5 lines or less]:

1. Timeliness: Do you expect the results of the AMS annual partnership topic activities will be relevant to the weather and climate enterprise in 2 years and beyond?

2. Breadth:

a. Is the topic of concern to many private sector, academic, and government organizations of various kinds [Sectoral breadth]?

b. Is the topic of concern to scientific, technological, policy, legal, and economic interests of various kinds [disciplinary breadth]?

c. Is the topic of broad interest to many kinds of government agencies (federal, state, local), many kinds of private sector organizations (both users and providers of weather and climate information) and many kinds of academic / research institutions?

3. Impact: What is the impact the proposed APT is expected to have on the weather and climate enterprise and on society as a whole? Please describe the impacts in tangible terms (e.g. the fraction of the U.S. and/or global economy affected) and/or intangible terms (e.g. potential legal and institutional effects).

4. Interest: What is your estimate of the likelihood of success in forming a committee, with members from all four enterprise sectors, to study the APT and in gaining multiple contributors to the topic?

5. Linkage: Does the APT have potential linkage to other planned activities? For example, a topic which is related to a planned activity by an organization other than AMS (e.g. the World Meteorological Organization)?

----- **End of APT Nomination Form** -----